



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL
INSPECTIONS**

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Wednesday, July 11, 2012

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (12-3276)

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

Present: Chairperson Eleanor R. Montaña, Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio, Commissioner Barbara Bigby, Commissioner Cheryl Grills Ph.D., Commissioner Anne S. Hill, Commissioner Donald S. Andrews and Commissioner Susan Burton

Call to Order. (12-3094)

**Chairperson Montaña called the meeting to order at 9:55 a.m.
Commissioners Grills and Burton joined the meeting at 10:05 respectfully.**

Chairperson Montaña led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of the June 27, 2012 Minutes. (12-3096)

On motion of Commissioner Andrews, seconded by Vice Chairperson Bacio, unanimously carried, the minutes of June 27, 2012 were approved.

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II. REPORTS

2. Chairperson's Report on Various Items for July 11, 2012. (12-3098)

Chairperson Montaña shared the following Newspaper Articles with the Commissioners:

Los Angeles Times:

- **Former Jail Official Tells of Brutality (July 7, 2012)**
- **Baca Reclaims Political Badges (July 10, 2012)**
- **Jailhouse Captain Speaks Publicly on Allegations (July 10, 2012)**
- **Jailer Denies Role in Inmate Abuse (July 10, 2012)**
- **Dysfunction at the Jails (July 11, 2012)**
- **County Hides Evidence, Suit Alleges (July 11, 2012)**
- **L.A. County Accused of Hiding Key Evidence (July 11, 2012)**

Daily Breeze:

- **County Wins Child-Removal Case (July 7, 2012)**
- **ACLU: L.A. Jail Brutality Hidden (July 11, 2012)**

Commissioner Andrews also shared the following Newspaper Article with the Commission:

The Argonaut

- **Opposition to Community Care Ordinance Grows Amid Increased Scrutiny (July 5, 2012)**

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3. Treasurer's Report for July 11, 2012. (12-3099)

Vice Chairperson Bacio reported that the current bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund remains at \$121.58.

4. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports for July 11, 2012. (12-3100)

Ms. Jenny Kimbell shared the photographs from the June 26, 2012 Sybil Brand Commission's Scholarship Awards Ceremony/Reception with the Commission.

5. Review of Group Home Compliance Monitoring Audit Reports presented on July 11, 2012. (12-3101)

There was no report given.

6. Commissioners' Reports on Group Homes and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from June 28, 2012 to July 10, 2012. (12-3102)

During the reporting period the following Group Homes/Facilities were

reported as being in satisfactory condition:

- Chairperson Montano and Commissioner Andrews visited St. Anne's Maternity Home - page 40 #1, on July 2, 2012.
- Chairperson Montano and Commissioner Andrews visited Central Arraignment Branch on July 3, 2012.
- Chairperson Montano and Commissioner Andrews visited Whittier Court on July 5, 2012.
- Chairperson Montano and Commissioner Andrews visited Orange County Children Foundation on July 10, 2012.
- Commissioner Bigby visited Hathaway-Sycamores Children & Family Services -page 20 #3 on July 3, 2012.
- Vice Chairperson Bacio visited Heritage Group Home - page 21 #1 on June 28, 2012.
- Commissioners Grills and Burton visited New Concept Humanistic Foundation - page 24 #1 on July 7, 2012.

Commissioner Andrews suggested the Commission in the future consider awarding group homes/facilities for excellence in service.

During the reporting period the following Group Homes were reported as being in unsatisfactory condition:

- Commissioners Grills and Burton visited Deliann Lucile Corporation - page 12 #1, on June 30, 2012 and reported that new mattresses and dresser drawers are needed in the bedrooms, the Needs and Services Plans were incomplete and list inaccurate dates, the fire extinguisher needed to be serviced, there was no earthquake supply kit, and staff had no access to the snack cabinet.
- Commissioner Grills visited Touch A Life Foundation - page 41 #1, on July 10, 2012 and reported that the third bedroom needs a new mattress, the bathrooms need repairs and maintenance, the Needs and Services Plans are past due, the earthquake kit needs organization, two smoke detectors were not functioning, and increased supervision is needed for youth maintenance and closet organization.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

7. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the

posting of the agenda. (12-3103)

Commissioner Hill announced that she has been working with three former Sybil Brand scholarship recipients and they are positively pursuing higher education. One recipient will be attending Loma Linda University to study Radiology, another recipient has earned a scholarship to play football at Lincoln University, and the third recipient is finishing up at Mount San Antonio (Mt. SAC) college with hopes of attending the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). Also, she asked staff to send post cards to the recent scholarship recipients for a status of their progress after their fall semester of school.

Chairperson Montano also announced the recruitment of 15 gang members out of the gang and 15 gang members recruited into law enforcement.

Public Comment

8. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (12-3104)

Mr. Jabriel Muhammad of Bismillah the Justice Movement addressed the Commission concerning the requirements for opening a Group Home. Ms. Kerr provided him with information for business licensing and the Department of Children and Family Services.

Adjournment

9. Adjournment for the meeting of July 11, 2012.
(12-3105)

There being no further business meeting was adjourned at 11:39 a.m.